

# STAFF'S REQUEST ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION

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Bonnie E. Pridgen

Dale Magisterial District 9709 Bearbox Court

REQUEST: Conditional Use to permit a family day care home in a Residential (R-7) District.

### **PROPOSED LAND USE:**

The applicant is currently operating a family day care home within an existing single family residence without the requisite Conditional Use. A Conditional Use is requested to bring the use into compliance with the Ordinance.

# PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

### RECOMMEND APPROVAL SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS ON PAGE 2.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommend approval for the following reasons:

- A. The family day care home, if properly conditioned, should be compatible with surrounding residential development. Family day care homes have been approved in other similar neighborhoods throughout the County and have operated without any adverse impact on area residences.
- B. Through the Conditional Use process and the imposition of the recommended conditions, the residential character of the area will be maintained.

(NOTE: CONDITIONS MAY BE IMPOSED OR THE PROPERTY OWNER MAY PROFFER CONDITIONS. THE CONDITIONS NOTED WITH "STAFF/CPC" WERE AGREED UPON BY BOTH STAFF AND THE COMMISSION. CONDITIONS WITH ONLY A "STAFF" ARE RECOMMENDED SOLELY BY STAFF. CONDITIONS WITH ONLY A "CPC" ARE ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION.)

### **CONDITIONS**

- (STAFF/CPC)

  1. This Conditional Use shall be granted to and for Bonnie E. Pridgen exclusively, and shall not be transferable nor run with the land. (P)
- (STAFF/CPC) 2. There shall be no exterior additions or alterations to the existing structure to accommodate this use. (P)
- (STAFF/CPC) 3. There shall be no signs permitted to identify this use. (P)

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### Location:

East line of Bearbox Court, south of Verlinda Drive and better known as 9709 Bearbox Court. Tax ID 783-667-0335 (Sheet 18).

# **Existing Zoning:**

R-7

# Size:

0.5 acre

### **Existing Land Use:**

Single family residential

#### Adjacent Zoning and Land Use:

North, South, East and West – R-7; Single family residential

## **UTILITIES**

## Public Water System:

There is an existing six (6) inch water line extending along the northwestern side of Bearbox Court, adjacent to this site. Use of the public water system is required by County Code. The existing home site is connected to the public water system.

## Public Wastewater System:

There is an existing eight (8) inch wastewater collector extending along Bearbox Court adjacent to this site. Use of the public wastewater system is required by County Code. The existing home is connected to the public wastewater system.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL**

## Drainage and Erosion:

The proposed use will have no impact on these facilities.

#### **PUBLIC FACILITIES**

# Fire Service and Transportation:

The proposed use will have a minimal impact on the existing transportation network and fire/rescue services.

### LAND USE

# Comprehensive Plan:

The request site lies within the boundaries of the <u>Central Area Plan</u> which suggests the property is appropriate for residential use of 1.00 to 2.50 units per acre.

#### Area Development Trends:

The property is located within Kendale Acres Subdivision. Adjacent properties are zoned residential and are occupied by single family residences in the Kendale Acres Subdivision.

### Site Design:

The applicant proposes to utilize the dwelling in which she resides and the backyard area for the family day care home. To insure that the residential character of the area is maintained, conditions preclude any additions or alterations to the existing structure to accommodate the use and any sign to identify the use. (Conditions 2 and 3)

#### Use:

A family day care home is currently being operated within a single family dwelling on the subject property. The applicant has operated a family day care home on the premises for twelve (12) years without any complaints registered with the County. The Zoning Ordinance permits the keeping of a maximum of five (5) children, excluding the provider's children and any children who reside in the home, as a restricted use in a residential district. The Ordinance would allow the keeping of up to twelve (12) children with a Conditional Use.

### CONCLUSIONS

The proposed family day care home, as conditioned, should have no adverse impact on the surrounding neighborhood. Similar family day care homes have been approved in other neighborhoods and have operated without any apparent impact on area residences. The conditions are similar to conditions imposed upon other family day care homes and are designed to maintain the residential character of the area (Conditions 1 through 3). Therefore, approval of this request, subject to the conditions, is recommended.

#### **CASE HISTORY**

Planning Commission Meeting (1/21/03):

The applicant accepted the recommendation. There was no opposition present.

On motion of Mr. Litton, seconded by Mr. Gulley, the Commission recommended approval of this request subject to the conditions on page 2.

AYES: Unanimous.

The Board of Supervisors, on Wednesday, February 26, 2003, beginning at 7:00 p.m., will take under consideration this request.

